## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

DR. PHYLLIS MARIE KNIGHT-BEY, and COTRELL THEVAUHGN LILLA KNIGHT,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

NANCY POLSI, DOUG PETERSON, State of Nebraska Department of Justice Attorney General; FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, BEN SASSE, Nebraska Branch of Judicial (AOC) Senator; DEB FISCHER, Nebraska Branch of Judicial (AOC) Senator; and DON BACON, Nebraska Congressman of the United States Office;

Defendants.

8:19CV331

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the court on its own motion. Plaintiff Dr. Phyllis Marie Knight-Bey filed a Complaint (Filing No. 1) on July 29, 2019. However, Plaintiff failed to include the \$400.00 filing and administrative fees. Plaintiff has the choice of either submitting the \$400.00 filing and administrative fees to the clerk's office or submitting a request to proceed in forma pauperis. Failure to take either action within 30 days will result in the court dismissing this case without further notice to Plaintiff.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> While this case purports to be filed by two Plaintiffs, only Plaintiff Dr. Phyllis Marie Knight-Bey is being ordered to file an Application to Proceed in District Court Without Prepaying Fees or Costs (or Motion for Leave to Proceed In Forma Pauperis) because Dr. Knight-Bey may not represent the other purported Plaintiff—Cotrell Thevauhgn Lilla Knight—in federal litigation, and she may not sign documents on his behalf. *Petties v. Stony Ridge Apartments*, No. 4:15CV3118, 2016 WL 697093, at \*2 (D.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Plaintiff is directed to submit the \$400.00 fees to the clerk's office or submit a request to proceed in forma pauperis within 30 days. Failure to take either action will result in dismissal of this matter without further notice.
- 2. The clerk of the court is directed to send to Plaintiff the Form AO240 ("Application to Proceed Without Prepayment of Fees and Affidavit").
- 3. The clerk of the court shall remove Cotrell Thevauhgn Lilla Knight as Plaintiff in this action.
- 4. The clerk of the court is directed to set a pro se case management deadline in this matter with the following text: **September 4, 2019**: Check for MIFP or payment.

Dated this 5th day of August, 2019.

BY THE COURT:

s/ *Richard G. Kopf*Senior United States District Judge

Neb. Feb. 19, 2016) (it is improper for non-lawyer to sign papers in place of, or to otherwise represent, parties other than themselves) (citing 5A C. Wright & A. Miller, *Federal Practice and Procedure* § 1333, at 513 & n.15 (2004)). If Cotrell Knight seeks relief, he must file such a request himself or through an attorney. I shall direct the Clerk of Court to remove Cotrell Thevauhgn Lilla Knight as Plaintiff in this action.